

## House Resolution No. 1329

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives realize that the rank of Eagle Scout is a performance-based achievement, the proud standards of which have been well maintained for many years; and

**Whereas**, Dakota Ian Merrill of Maryville, Missouri, received the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony held on August 12, 2007, at Maryville First Baptist Church; and

**Whereas**, Dakota, a member of Boy Scout Troop 74, successfully met the requirements to attain Eagle status by completing his Eagle project which involved a landscaping project at Maryville Middle School; and

**Whereas**, during his thirteen years in Scouting, Dakota mastered several challenging and diverse skills to earn thirty-three merit badges, the World Conservation Award, and membership in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say; and

**Whereas**, Dakota demonstrated his capability and willingness to exert leadership by fulfilling the duties and responsibilities of Troop Quartermaster, Patrol Quartermaster, Patrol Leader, and Junior Assistant Scoutmaster; and

**Whereas**, the son of David and Jean Merrill, Dakota developed immense personal growth and fitness by participating in the many assorted activities the Boy Scouts offers, some of which include attending Camp Geiger for seven years; and

**Whereas**, Dakota's attainment of the Eagle rank will be recognized at all levels of our society as being a great achievement that required considerable dedication and effort:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Dakota Merrill for the steadfast determination he displayed in his pursuit to attain the rank of Eagle and in wishing him continued success in all future endeavors; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Dakota Ian Merrill.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Mike Thomson  
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 1329, adopted March 31, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker